

**Non-availability of diesel in Rajasthan**

2428. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether farmers of Rajasthan are facing difficulties due to non-availability of diesel;

(b) whether agricultural production has been directly affected due to this; and

(c) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) The Government has not received any report regarding farmers of Rajasthan facing difficulties due to non-availability of diesel.

(c) Requirement of diesel of the State of Rajasthan have been fully met.

**Gap between demand and supply of petrol, Kerosene etc.**

2429. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a gap in the demand and supply of petrol, kerosene and other petroleum products in the country;

(b) if so, how much is the gap and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the new projects and investment to increase the production, project-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) Demand for all the petroleum products is fully met either from indigenous production or from import.

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(c) The information is given in attached Statement.

STATEMENT

*Capacity expansion / new refinery projects in PSU*

*(Rs. in crores)*

A	PSU Refinery Projects	Capacity (MMTPA)	Project Cost
1.	IOC, Barauni Expansion (Ph-II)	1.80	1,803
2.	IOC, Panipat Expansion	6.00	3,365.00
3.	IOC, Koyali Residue Upgradation	5.50	4,392.00
4.	BPC Refinery Modernisation	5.10	1,175.00
5.	KRL Expansion	6.00	4,379.80
6.	CPCL Expansion	3.00	2,360.38
	Sub Total A	27.40	17,475.18
B.	Private Refinery Projects		
7.	Essar Oil Refinery	10.50	Not available
8.	Cuddalore Refinery	6.00	Not available
	Sub Total B	16.50	
C.	Joint Venture Refinery Projects		
9.	Bharat Oman Refinery	6.00	5,277.00
10.	Eastern India Refinery	9.00	8,270.00
11.	Punjab Refinery	9.00	9,806.00
	Sub Total C	24.00	23,353.00
	Total Expn. / New Ref. Projects	67.90	